

REMARKS

At the time of the Office Action dated November 1, 2006, claims 5-13 were pending in this application. Applicant acknowledges, with appreciation, the Examiner's allowance of claim 13. Applicant also acknowledges, with appreciation, the Examiner's indication that claims 8 and 9 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 5-7 and 10-12 stand rejected.

In this Amendment, claims 5, 9, and 11 have been amended, and claims 7, 8, and 10 canceled. Care has been exercised to avoid the introduction of new matter. Specifically, claims 5 and 11 have been amended to include the limitations recited in allowable claim 8. Claim 9 has been amended to be dependent on claim 5 and to improve wording. Applicant notes that the rejection of claims 5-7 and 10-12 has been rendered moot by the amendments of claims 5 and 11, and the cancellation of claims 7, 8, and 10.

Therefore, it is urged that the application, as now amended, is in condition for allowance, an indication of which is respectfully solicited. If there are any outstanding issues that might be resolved by an interview or an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is requested to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number shown below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper,

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including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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